

What The Heck Is A VeloPort?

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A New Cycling Venue Is Headed Our Way!

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Increasing Communication Between Neighborhood Associations.”



NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS/NEW OFFICERS

The Office of Neighborhood Coordination “welcomes” new presidents of neighborhood associations and says a “special thank you” to outgoing presidents. Thank you for all your hard work and commitment to the improvement of the life-style of your neighborhood.

Neighborhood Association

Alvarado Gardens
Alvarado Park
Campus
Coors Trail
La Luz Landowners
La Sala Grande
University Heights
Willow Wood

“Welcome” to Incoming President

Carolyn Siegel
Bill Sterchi
Carole Nagengast
Janet Laros
John Badal
J. Lyn Hendren
Danny Hernandez
Douglas Adams

“Thanks” to Outgoing President

Maureen Kelly
Gene Tatum
Margaret Williams
Alexandra Ostwald
Rae Perls
Toni Lyons
David Miertschin
Joel Voisine

- Mountain View Neighborhood Association regained their “Recognized” status on February 17, 2006.
- Campus Neighborhood Association regained their “Recognized” status on February 21, 2006.
- S. Y. Jackson Neighborhood Association regained their “Recognized” status on February 24, 2006.

NEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION(S)

NONE AT THIS TIME

Just a Reminder: We will need the original Annual Report AND a copy of the announcement of your Annual Meeting submitted to our office **before** your Annual Report will be approved for the year. Please call Dalaina at **924-3906** for further information. Please make sure that you have the correct addresses listed for your officers on your Annual Report. Annual Reports for the following months are due:

January Annual Reports are due:	April 1, 2006
February Annual Reports are due:	May 1, 2006
March Annual Reports are due:	June 1, 2006

Please Note: As of this publication date, all “unrecognized” neighborhood associations/coalitions and homeowner’s associations must submit a Annual Neighborhood Meeting Report in order to maintain their “active status” on our list. Please see the above dates to find out when your reports are due in our office and who to send them to.

Thank you.

ATTENTION: When submitting your yearly Annual Neighborhood Meeting Report please mail to our physical street address below:

Planning Department/Office of Neighborhood Coordination
Attention: Dalaina Carmona
600 Second Street NW, Rm. 120 (Basement Level)
Albuquerque, NM 87102

Across The City



National Hispanic Cultural Center

Submitted by Danny L. Lopez



Upcoming Events

Thursday, March 23 through Sunday, March 26
8 p.m.

Patty Disney Zarzuela Series:
La del Manojito de Rosas
(Girl with a Bouquet of Roses)



A Spanish opera that is a humorous story of love and its complications, written in 1934 and set against the background of class strife, labor and religious unrest, and political polarization that would lead to the Spanish Civil War only two years later. Tickets: \$20 - \$35 at NHCC Box Office **724-4771** and Ticketmaster locations.



Thursday, March 30
8p.m.
Cortos Femininos

A series of short films related to women by their themes, characters or directors presented by Mar Coll Sansalvador, director of *La última Polaroid* with a discussion to follow. Films are in Spanish with English subtitles. Visit www.nhccnm.org for a complete listing of films. **Free.**

Friday, March 31
6p.m. - 8p.m.

Art Exhibition Opening:
FEMSA - A Continental Vision



With special emphasis on Mexico, the exhibition features 60 modern and contemporary works of art dating from 1914 to 2004 by 57 Latin American artists. The artists included in Colección FEMSA include such classic luminaries as Frida Kahlo, Diego Rivera, David Alfaro Siquieros, Rufino Tamayo, Wifredo Lam and Roberto Matta. This exhibition is on view through **August 13, 2006.**

Friday, March 31 and Saturday, April 1
8p.m.

Flamenco Concert: A Nuestro Aire

A fresh look at old world flamenco with the latest choreography by world-renowned flamenco artist "La Tatti," performed by Yjastros: The American Flamenco Repertory Co. Tickets: \$20 - \$30 at NHCC Box Office, **724-4771** and Ticketmaster locations.



Saturday, April 3, 10, 17, 24
12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

Samba Afro-Cuban Dance Classes

\$8 per class, \$6 for NHCC members.
Call **246-2261 ext. 167** to register.

Friday, April 7 and Saturday, April 8
8p.m.

Los Pleneros de la 21 in Concert

New York City's preeminent ambassadors of Afro-Puerto Rican Bomba and Plena music and dance. Tickets: \$15, \$20, \$25 at NHCC Box Office **724-4771** and Ticketmaster locations.

Wednesday, April 12
8p.m.



Latin Grammy Winner Lila Downs in Concert

A world music diva who reflects through her art the most personal and deep side of the Mexican and Mixtlan traditions. Tickets: \$26, \$32, \$37 at NHCC Box Office **724-4771** and Ticketmaster locations.



Wednesday, April 12
5:30 - 7 p.m.

Fresco Viewing Reception

Catch a special behind-the-scenes glimps of artist Frederico Vigil's spectacular work-in-progress in the Center larger entry tower. Call **766-9858** for information.

Thursday, April 20 through Saturday, April 22
8p.m.

Time and Again Barelas



Written by renowned composer Manuel de Aguilera portrays both individual human drama and New Mexico's turbulent history, covering a 500-year span. Tickets: \$15 - \$25 at NHCC Box Office **724-4771** and Ticketmaster locations.



Saturday, April 29
1 - 5 p.m.

Día del Niño
(Children's Day)

This annual event is filled with hands-on art, live music, games, storytelling and prizes. **Free!**

Sunday, April 30

Concert: Morena Amora:

A Female Dialogue Between

Middle Eastern Dance and Flamenco



This show consists of solo pieces performed in the unique styles of Middle Eastern and Flamenco dance. Tickets: \$15 - \$25 at NHCC Box Office, **724-4771** and Ticketmaster locations.



NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP

ACROSS THE FENCE



What The Heck Is A VeloPort and Why Does Albuquerque Need One?

Submitted by Deborah Nason, ONC and Richard Sertich, Planning

velodrome (Merriam Webster)

Pronunciation: 'vE-l &-'drOm, 've,'vA-

Function: *noun*

Etymology: French *vélodrome*, from *vélo* cycle (short for *vélocipède*) + *-drome*: a track designed for cycling.

motocross (Merriam Webster)

Main Entry: *mo-to-cross*

Pronunciation: 'mO-to-'kros;

(bicycle = BMX)

Function: *noun*

Etymology: French, from *moto* motorcycle (short for *motocyclette*) + *cross*-country, from English : a closed-course motorcycle (or bicycle) race over natural or simulated rough terrain (as with steep inclines, hairpin turns, and mud); also : the sport of engaging in motocross races.

Mayor Martin J. Chávez has announced that groundbreaking for the initial construction phase of the Albuquerque VeloPort is expected to begin during the next few months. The Albuquerque VeloPort will be a world class cycling and training facility for BMX (Bicycle MotoCross) and Indoor Track Cyclists.

Phase I will include the construction of a covered BMX Track plus site preparation and the foundation for an indoor velodrome. A high performance medical testing laboratory and other related facilities that promote the sport of cycling for youths and adults is also planned.

"The vision has always been to create a year round, high altitude training and racing center meant to attract track cyclists and BMX racers from around the United States and the world," said Mayor Chávez. "We have some of the best weather at the highest altitude in the world. With initial funding in place, support from Governor Richardson, and an enthusiastic, world-wide cycling community – both BMX and track – we are confident that the Albuquerque VeloPort will achieve its goals of bringing international recogni-

tion, valuable economic benefit and unique recreational opportunities to Albuquerque."

The Albuquerque VeloPort will be located on a City-owned site adjacent to the Isotopes Stadium on Avenida Cesar Chavez Boulevard SE. The site is within the University Sports Complex, an area that has



Belgian Cyclists Arrive In Albuquerque!

adequate parking and regularly attracts spectators to sporting events. The Veloport complex will include a fully enclosed 250-meter indoor velodrome with 2500 permanent seats. The velodrome will be built to international standards allowing for national and international championship competition such as Olympic Trials, World Championships, Pan American Games and World Cup Meets.

The VeloPort complex will also house a state-of-the-art BMX (motocross) track suitable for local, national and international championship events, training camps and pre-Olympic competition. BMX racing will become a Summer Olympic sport in 2008. A performance center for coaching, athletic training and physiology testing will also be housed on-site.

The Albuquerque VeloPort has a great economic potential derived from tax revenues and expenditures by attracting an estimated 50,000 out of town visitors annually. The Veloport is expected to support 25-30 new full and part-time jobs. The Albuquerque VeloPort has the potential to become the site of over 200 track cycling and BMX competitions per year in addition to becoming the South-

west's training and development camp for programs offered to area schools, youth groups and out-of-town users. The American Bicycle Association (ABA) currently hosts 12 BMX camps per year with 200 participants each. It is estimated that at least 10 velodrome team camps from clubs throughout the state and nation will train at the VeloPort.

Albuquerque has already made its mark on the international cycling circuit. The Belgian Cycling Center selected Albuquerque as the site for its March 2006 training camp. The Belgian Cycling Center is an international cycling development program that provides training and racing opportunities for young, (under age 23) talented American riders and is an entry for American cyclists to join the ranks of the European cycling community. Albuquerque has given the Belgian Cycling Center a very warm welcome. The Belgian Cycling Center entourage will be in Albuquerque through mid-March.

The Belgian Cycling Center is run by Bernard and Ann Moerman in the coastal town of Oostende, Belgium. Bernard and Ann chose Albuquerque as the location for their U.S. based cycling center because of our altitude, our wonderful climate and the friendliness of the community. "Development is the keyword in the whole organization," Bernard says. "Over the last few years we have become known as a talent pool and development school. This is and will be our focus for the future." The Belgian Cycling Center came with a fully staffed support team for its riders - including a coach, language coach, doctor, mechanic, bike fitter and sports psychologist.

Overall, management of the Albuquerque VeloPort facility will be by VeloPort, Inc., a 501-C-3, non-profit entity that will oversee the facilities planning and operations of the VeloPort to ensure that the City of Albuquerque and the State of New Mexico objectives are met. Next time you cycle or drive by Isotopes Stadium, take a look east and watch for the Albuquerque VeloPort to take shape.

NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP continued



**From The
Manager's Desk**
by Herb Howell
and
Stephani Winklepleck

Changing Your Neighborhood Boundaries

The Office of Neighborhood Coordination (ONC) seeks to provide services that meet the needs of the neighborhood association's own best interests. Each month whether your neighborhood association is "recognized" or "unrecognized" documentation is sent to both contacts which include the following:

- ✓Annual Report Form **OR** Neighborhood Meeting Report Form.
- ✓"Amending Your Neighborhood Association By-laws" Flyer.
- ✓"Helpful Hints from ONC – The Importance of Checking Your Mailbox Regularly" Flyer.

This is to ensure that neighborhood associations are aware of the paperwork that is required if you plan to amend **ANY** portion of your Neighborhood Association By-laws.

During the recent months, ONC has been beset with a variety of neighborhood association boundary changes. The result has been considerable conflict as to whether a neighborhood association actually has officially changed its boundaries or not.

It is important to remember that unless those boundary changes are submitted to ONC with the corresponding neighborhood association documentation, which includes proper notification to the Membership and/or Board, which your by-laws define as the appropriate way to make boundary and then by-law changes. **The proposed change(s) does not officially take place until it is approved by ONC.** Neighborhood associations often assume the change is made as soon as you vote for the change. The by-laws must also reflect the change, which means amending your whole set of by-laws.

As stated in the "Amending Your Neighborhood Association By-laws" Flyer,

under Section d: "If amending boundaries of association please include a zone map showing your new boundaries." It is important to first research the proposed change with a zone atlas map. Maps are available to download from the City of Albuquerque's Website at:

www.cabq.gov/planning/agis/zatlaspages.html.

If the proposed change is not currently held by another "recognized" neighborhood association, then it is "free territory" for you to annex. If the proposed territory to be added is already claimed by another "recognized" neighborhood association, then there are ways of dealing effectively with this dispute.

- Have a mutual agreement of the two or more affected neighborhood associations.
- This would include a letter from the affected neighborhood association(s) stating that they are in concurrence of the overlap areas.
- This letter of mutual agreement should be signed by the officers of the neighborhood association(s) and sent in with your paperwork to ONC.
- This shows that **ALL** affected neighborhoods associations are in agreement with the overlap area.

If for some unforeseen reason the affected neighborhood associations are not willing to have an overlap area, then the following procedural steps will be initiated by ONC:

1. We will write Overlap Letters to the affected neighborhood associations explaining that there is an Overlap area that needs to be resolved.
2. We will send maps showing the Overlap area and in this area you will need to supply to ONC the number of members and provide to us the membership lists **only in this area.**
3. On the "Certification of Existing Membership Form" we need to have the form filled out showing the overlap membership numbers and signed by the President and another Officer of your neighborhood association.
4. Once all forms are submitted back to our office, decisions will be made by ONC

once the membership list can be verified. These lists will then be mailed back to your association once we have verified the information.

5. Letters of Determination will be sent to all neighborhood association once everything has been reviewed. Any changes will then be done to maps and other documents which will be affected.

More thought in expanding your boundaries should be done by your neighborhood association. Discussion by your neighborhood association members at a meeting need to be done after seeing what procedures need to be done.



Neighborhood Workshop Corner

Greetings!

The Office of Neighborhood Coordination is in the process of re-tooling and scheduling workshops for the remainder of 2006. Keep checking our webpage at:

<<http://www.cabq.gov/planning/nbrcoord/neighborworkshop.html>>

and this column for updates. Please call **924-3914** if you have questions. Thank you.



Interested in beautifying your neighborhood? The Clean City Division of the Solid Waste Management Department and the Office of Neighborhood Coordination of the Planning Department, have annual **\$200 stipends** available to non-profit groups, such as neighborhood associations, Girls/Boys Scouts and individual APS campuses who wish to "Adopt An Area" within their vicinity. Call Clean Cities at **857-8060** for more information.



NEIGHBORHOOD SCOOP continued



A Message From The Mayor

Martin J. Chávez, Mayor

Mayor's Fit City Challenge

Last Tuesday, February 28, 2006, at a news conference I kicked off the "Mayor's Fit City Challenge." This initiative is the latest of many initiatives to promote health and overall well-being in Albuquerque.

Albuquerque is quickly earning a reputation as one of the fittest cities in the nation. For the past two years Men's Fitness magazine has named Albuquerque one of the top 25 fittest cities in America, finishing 13th in 2005. I really want to see Albuquerque's reputation continue to grow and finish as one of the top three fittest cities in 2006.

Albuquerque is building a new tradition of being one of the fittest and healthiest cities in America. The Fit City Challenge celebrates this tradition to assure that Albuquerque stays on the list for years to come.

The Fit City Challenge is designed to help citizens discover the benefits of a healthy and active life. As obesity and health problems continue to grow - the Center for Disease Control estimates that over 300,000 people die each year from obesity related causes. There is increasing pressure on civic leaders and local governments to provide citizens accessibility to the needed resources to improve their health. Albuquerque has successfully responded to this pressure by providing nationally recognized bike trails, a variety of city sponsored athletic leagues and abundant public parks and hiking trails.

The Fit City Challenge extends beyond creating a sense of pride for the city. It has been proven that exercise and a healthy diet have a positive impact on

a person's productivity, longevity and overall enjoyment of life. Thirty minutes of physical activity everyday can significantly help prevent heart disease, cancer, stroke, diabetes and many other health problems. Exercise also has significant benefits at work, General Motors found that employees who are physically active had a 50 percent reduction in job grievances and a 40 percent reduction in lost time.

People can sign up online at <http://www.cabq.gov/mayor/fit/signup.html>.

Over the course of the next 6 months, our goal is to turn thousands of Duke City residents into Fit Duke City citizens. Because we cannot go out to each of your houses, there is no exact guideline or plan that you must follow to get fit, except for your own. We encourage you all to join your local gym, and ask a trainer to help you get on track. Or you can do it all from your home, by watching what you eat, and going on nightly walks or by utilizing Albuquerque's great trails.

Throughout this Fit City Challenge we hope you get your friends, your family, and all your neighbors to start watching what they eat, and start to exercise a little more. So for the next 6 months I challenge you Albuquerque to eat healthier, to **exercise more frequently and to get fit!**

There are two upcoming events that you can start preparing for. The **National Multiple Sclerosis' Annual Walk** will be held **Saturday, April 29, 2006 beginning at 8:00 a.m. at the Albuquerque Academy.** Register on line at nationalmssociety.org or call Richard Sertich at 924-3340. The **American Cancer Society's "Making Strides Breast Cancer Walk"** will be held on **Sunday, April 30, 2006 beginning at 8:00 a.m. leaving from Cottonwood Mall.** register on-line at www.wacsevents.org/strides/nm/albuquerque or call 1-800-ACS-2345.

START NOW!
We'll see you there!



Albuquerque Tricentennial Festival of Illumination

**Neighborhood Association
Illumination Contest
December 24, 2005**

Presentation of Awards
Held March 1, 2006

First Place: \$1500 to Los Altos Civic Association - Cora Chavez, President.

Second Place: \$1000 to Citizen's Information Committee of Martineztown - Jess R. Martinez, President.

Third Place: \$500 to Thomas Village Neighborhood Association; Steve Hamp, President.

Fourth Place: \$250 to La Sala Grande Neighborhood Association; Pam Fraser-Walters, Secretary.



**2006 Illumination Winners
and Judges**

Left to Right: Elaine Fiber, Festival of Illumination Chairperson, Albuquerque Tricentennial; Herb Howell, Division Manager, Office of Neighborhood Coordination, City of Albuquerque; Pam Fraser-Walters, Secretary, and Monica Frakes of the La Sala Grande Neighborhood Association; Richard Martinez, Maria Martinez, and Jess R. Martinez, President, of the Citizen's Information Committee of Martineztown; Cora Chavez, President, Cheryl Inskeep, and Karen Cotter of the Los Altos Civic Association.

Not Pictured: Steve Hamp, President of the Thomas Village Neighborhood Association.

Thanks to all of you for making this event a huge success!

Congratulations!



City Council

Council staff may be reached at **768-3100**. The agenda for an upcoming council meeting may be checked by calling **768-3100** after 1 p.m. on the Friday immediately prior to the council meeting. The City Council's fax number is **768-3227**. Agendas, Action Items and Summaries are available on the Council's webpage at www.cabq.gov/council/counsched.html.

Back Row, L to R: Craig Loy, District 8; Michael Cadigan, District 5; Debbie O'Malley, District 2; Ken Sanchez, District 1; Brad Winter, District 4; **Front Row, L to R:** Isaac Benton, District 3; Sally Mayer, District 7; Martin Heinrich, District 6; Don Harris, District 9.

A Message From Your City Council

Rules Amendment Re-establishes Finance and Land Use Committees - City Council Meeting Schedule Changes

At the meeting of February 22, 2006 the City Council passed a rules amendment regarding committees. The legislation reinstates two substantive committees **Finance and Government Operations Committee (FGO)** and **Land Use, Planning and Zoning Committee (LUPZ)**.

The **FGO** Committee shall have the charge of and jurisdiction over all ordinances, resolutions, bills, papers and other matters relating to finances, taxation and the indebtedness of the City, and the appropriation of monies of the payment of monies not provided for by previous authority of law; the lease, purchase and sale or real estate of the City of Pittsburgh; the creation of offices or portions of any kind; the regulation of salaries, fixing the number and pay of employees; the care and control of the public funds, and all other legal and financial business of the City government; such other business as may be referred to it by the Council; provided, however, that where money has been specifically appropriated by the Council for any of the purposes of the departments of the City government, that hereafter any matter relating there to shall be referred to the committee of the proper department, and the said committee on Finance and Budget shall oversee the activities of Personnel, Information Services Division (ISD) and the Legal Department. All communications or matters to be

brought forward to Council from any of the City authorities shall be directed to the respective Council Member serving on the authority's governing body who are: Councilors Don Harris; Chair, Ken Sanchez, Isaac Benton, Martin Heinrich, and Craig Loy.

The **LUPZ** Committee shall have charge of and jurisdiction over all ordinances, resolutions, bills, or papers affecting or pertaining to the zoning code, conditional use applications, historical designation process, land use policy, planning and redevelopment of any area or section of the City, consultant studies, and other matters pertaining to the activities of the planning department. All communications or matters shall be directed to the respective Council Member serving on the authority's governing body: Councilors Debbie O'Malley, Chair; Isaac Benton, Brad Winter, Michael Cadigan or Sally Mayer.

The **FGO** Committee will meet on the **2nd and 4th Mondays** and the **Land Use, Planning & Zoning Committee** meetings will be on the **2nd and 4th Wednesday** and are scheduled as follows:

Finance & Government Operations Committee Meeting Dates

April 10
April 24**
May 8
May 22**
June 12
June 26**
July - No Meetings
August 14
August 28**
September 11
September 25**
October 9
October 23**
November 13
December 11

Land Use, Planning & Zoning Committee Meeting Dates



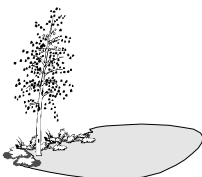
April 12
April 26**
May 10
May 24**
June 14
June 28**
August 16
August 30**
September 13
September 27**
October 11
October 25**
November 15
December 13

**Tentative Meeting Dates, if needed



The City of Albuquerque does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, disability, age, gender, Vietnam Era or disabled veteran status, sexual orientation or medical condition in employment or in the provision of services.

If you have a disability and will need special assistance to benefit from any of the meetings, hearings or workshops, etc., appearing in this newsletter, contact the office sponsoring the event two weeks prior to the date of the meeting you plan to attend. When ever possible, TTY phone numbers will be listed. TTY users may call any phone number listed in this publication via Relay New Mexico at 1-800-659-8331.

20 - 31	1 - 8	9 - 16	17 - 30
Monday, March 20 •City Council – 5 p.m.	Monday, April 3 •City Council – 5 p.m.	Wednesday, April 12 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •AQCB – 5:15 p.m. •LUCC – 3 p.m.	Wednesday, April 19 •DRB – 9 a.m. •ADC – 3 p.m. • District 4 Coalition – 7 p.m.
Tuesday, March 21 •GARTC - 4:30 p.m.	Wednesday, April 5 •AAB – 9 a.m. •DRB – 9 a.m. • District 7 Coalition – 7 p.m. • Westside Coalition – 7 p.m.	Thursday, April 13 •GWPAB – 8:30 a.m. •TAB – 9 a.m. •Feedback Forum – 11:45 a.m. •EPC Study Session – 4:00 p.m. •POC – 4 p.m. •SVCNA – 6:30 p.m.	Thursday, April 20 •EPC – 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday, March 22 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m.	Thursday, April 6 • North Valley Coalition – 7 p.m.	Monday, April 17 •City Council – 5 p.m.	Monday, April 24* •City Council – 5 p.m. (*Tentative)
Thursday, March 23 • District 8 Coalition – 7 p.m.	Monday, April 10 •GABAC – 4:30 p.m. •SWAN – 6:30 p.m.	Tuesday, April 18 •ZHE – 9 a.m. •GARTC – 4:30 p.m.	Tuesday, April 25 •BOA – 9 a.m.
Monday, March 27 •City Council – 5 p.m. (Tentative)			Wednesday, April 26 •DRB – 9 a.m. •SEPC – 9 a.m. •EPC Pre-Hearing – 1:30 p.m.
Tuesday, March 28 •BOA – 9 a.m.			
Wednesday, March 29 •DRB – 9 a.m. •LEPC – 9 a.m.			

2006 CALENDAR LEGEND

AAB - Airport Advisory Board, Aviation Department Executive Conference Room, **244-7700**
ACTMI - Advisory Committee on Transit for the Mobility Impaired - Sun Van Conference Room, 601 Yale SE, **764-8932**
ADC - Albuquerque Development Commission - Hearing Room, Basement Level, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second Street NW
AQCB - Air Quality Control Board, Council Commission Chambers, Basement Level, City Hall
BOA - Board of Appeals, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, Basement Level, 600 Second St. NW
City Council - Council/Commission Chambers, Basement Level, City Hall
District 4 Coalition - Location to be announced.
District 6 Coalition - Cesar Chavez Community Center, 7505 Kathryn SE
District 7 Coalition - Sandia High School, Teacher's Lounge, 7801 Candelaria NE
District 8 Coalition - James Joseph Dwyer Memorial Substation, 12700 Montgomery NE
DRB - Development Review Board, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second Street NW, Basement Level
EPC - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second St. NW, Basement Level
EPC Pre-Hearing - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second St. NW, Third Fl. Conf. Room
EPC Study Session - Environmental Planning Commission, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second St. NW, Third Fl. Conf. Room
FBF - FeedBack Forum, Planning Department, Plaza del Sol, 600 Second St. NW, Hearing Room, Basement Level, **Richard Dourte, 924-3999**
GABAC - Greater Albuquerque Bicycling Advisory Committee, City Hall, Room 302, **768-2680**
GARTC - Greater Albuquerque Recreational Trails Committee - Locations vary, call **768-5308** for information
GWPAB - Ground Water Protection Advisory Board - Room 302 City/County Building, 400 Marquette NW
LEPC - Local Emergency Planning Committee - 11510 Sunset Gardens SW, **833-7300** or <www.lepcabqbernco.org> for more information
LUCC - Landmarks and Urban Conservation Commission, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, 600 Second St. NW, Basement Level
North Valley Coalition - Los Griegos Multi-Service Center, 1231 Candelaria NW
POC - Police Oversight Commission, City/County Building, Lower Level, 1 Civic Plaza, 5th and Marquette
SEPC - Special Event Permitting Committee - 6th floor, Cultural Services Department Conference Room, City Hall, 5th and Marquette
SVCNA - South Valley Coalition of Neighborhoods Associations - South Valley BSCO Sheriff's Substation, 2039 Isleta SW.
SWAN - South West Alliance of Neighborhoods, Alamosa Multi-Service Center, 6900 Gonzales SW
TAB - Transit Advisory Board - Sun Van Conference Room, 601 Yale SE, **764-6121**
Westside Coalition - Taylor Ranch Community Center, 4900 Kachina NW
ZHE - Zoning Hearing Examiner, Plaza del Sol Hearing Room, Basement Level, 600 Second St. NW

EPC Hearing Notice

Publication of EPC hearing notices in the *Albuquerque Journal* will now occur on the **Wednesday - 22 days prior** to the public hearing on the **3rd Thursday of the month**. The hearing notice includes the time, place and date of the hearing along with a brief description of each application on the agenda. Previously, hearing notices were published 15 days before the public hearing. The reason for this change is to meet the advertising requirements for EPC study sessions which occur on the 2nd Thursday of each month. Rather than advertising the hearing and study session separately, a single notice will be prepared to advertise both. Contact the Planning Department at **924-3860** if you have questions.

Neighborhood Alert – Be aware that public comments at EPC Meetings have a time limitation due to the length of the EPC Hearings. The **48-Hour Rule of the EPC**: All written materials and other documents shall be submitted to the Planning Dept. no later than **9 a.m.** on the **Tuesday** of the Public Hearing week. For an Appeal Hearing – no communication with EPC is allowed within five days of the Public Hearing.

In order to make maximum use of the following information please note:

- Scan the entire list to see if your neighborhood association has a case this month.
- The name and phone number of the developer/agent is listed so that you can easily contact them should you have any questions.
- The assigned staff planner is identified with each agenda item should you need additional information (i.e., check on the actual placement of your case on the agenda). All staff may be reached at **924-3860**.
- On the day of the Hearing, call Planning at **924-3860** and the receptionist will give you the status of the Hearing.
- Staff reports are available at the Planning Office beginning at **3 p.m.** on the **Thursday** prior to the EPC Hearing.

On the **2nd Thursday of each month**, the EPC has a Study Session to review the applications scheduled for the all-day public hearing which occurs on the **3rd Thursday of each month**. As with the Public Hearing, **the public is invited** to attend the Study Sessions; however, Study Sessions do not provide an open forum. Discussion is limited to staff and the EPC. Study Sessions regularly begin at **4 p.m.** in the Plaza del Sol Hearing Room. Please call the Planning Department at **924-3860** to confirm the Study Session schedule as adjustments are made occasionally.

Please note that the **Pre-Hearing Meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, March 22, 2006 at 1:30 p.m.** in the Planning Conference Room, Third Floor. The **EPC Public Hearing** will be held on **Thursday, April 20, 2006 at 8:30 a.m.** in the Plaza del Sol (basement) Hearing Room for the following cases:

Citywide

All Neighborhoods; 06EPC-00273, Project #1001620; The Planning Department of the City of Albuquerque, is proposing a Zoning Code Text Amendment for amending Section 14-16-3-12(A)(8) ROA 1994, a portion of the Zoning Code regarding Community Residential Programs; Russell Brito at **924-3337**.

Northeast

Heritage East, North Albuquerque Acres (neighborhood association); 06EPC-00172 and 00173, Project #1004687 (case #'s); Approximately two (2) acre(s) located on the south side of Holly Avenue NE between Paseo Del Norte NE and Holbrook Street NE (**location of request**); C-20 (**zone atlas page #**); Jim Medley, Architect at **292-3514**, agent for Paseo Del Norte Storage, LLC (**applicant or agency and phone #**); Requests approval of an EPC Site Development Plan for Building Permit and a Zone Map Amendment from SU-2 Mixed Use to S-2/C-2 for a proposed fully climate controlled two-story Self-Storage Building for public use (**action requested**); Carmen Marrone at **924-3814 (city staff planner)**.

No Association(s); 06EPC-00285 and 00286, Project #1000045; Approximately fifteen (15) acre(s) located on the north side of Renaissance Boulevard NE between Alexander Boulevard NE and Culture Drive NE; F-16: Tierra West, LLC at **858-3100**, agent for Sam's East, Inc.; Requests approval for a EPC Site Development Plan for Subdivision and a Zone Map Amendment from SU-1 for IP to SU-1 for C-2 for Sam's Club; Catalina Lehner at **924-3935**.

Northwest

Los Volcanes, West Mesa, Westside Merchants; 06EPC-00277, Project #1004725; Approximately two and one-half acre (2 ½) acre(s) located on the west side of Coors Boulevard NW between Fortuna Road NW and Los Volcanes Road NW; J-10; Rick Bennett Architects at **242-1859**, agent for John Battciglia; Requests approval of an EPC Site Development Plan for Building Permit for a proposed 127 storage unit and one (1) office apartment live/work unit on property and to improve the existing carwash; David Stallworth at **924-3940**.

Paradise Hills, Piedras Marcadas, Rancho Sereno, Taylor Ranch; 06EPC-00283, Project #1003272; Approximately ten (10) acre(s) located on south side of Paseo Del Norte NW between Eagle Ranch Road NW and Coors Boulevard NW; C-13; Consensus Planning at **764-9801**, agent for Dwayne Pino; Requests approval of an EPC Site Development Plan for Subdivision for creating several smaller lots on the site more suitable for individual users as well as retail establishments; Stephanie Shumsky at **924-3933**.

Northwest, Con't.

Wells Park; 06EPC-00288 and 00289, Project #1004731; Approximately one-fourth (1/4) acre(s) located on the east side of Fifth Street NW between Rosemont Avenue NW and Summer Avenue NW; J-14; Paul Chavez at **238-9822 or 780-1701**; Requests approval of a Zone Map Amendment from S-R to SU-1 and an EPC Site Development Plan for Subdivision for a proposed Law Office; Catalina Lehner at **924-3935**.

Los Duranes; 06EPC-00290, Project #1004732; Approximately two (2) acre(s) located on the east side of Montoya Road NW between Rio Grande Boulevard NW and Martin Road NW; H-12; Josh Skarsgard, Land Use Solutions, LLC at **459-38723**, agent for Evergreen Montoya, LLC; Requests approval of a Zone Map Amendment from RA-2 to RL-T for a proposed new town home development; Stephanie Shumsky at **924-3933**.

Southeast

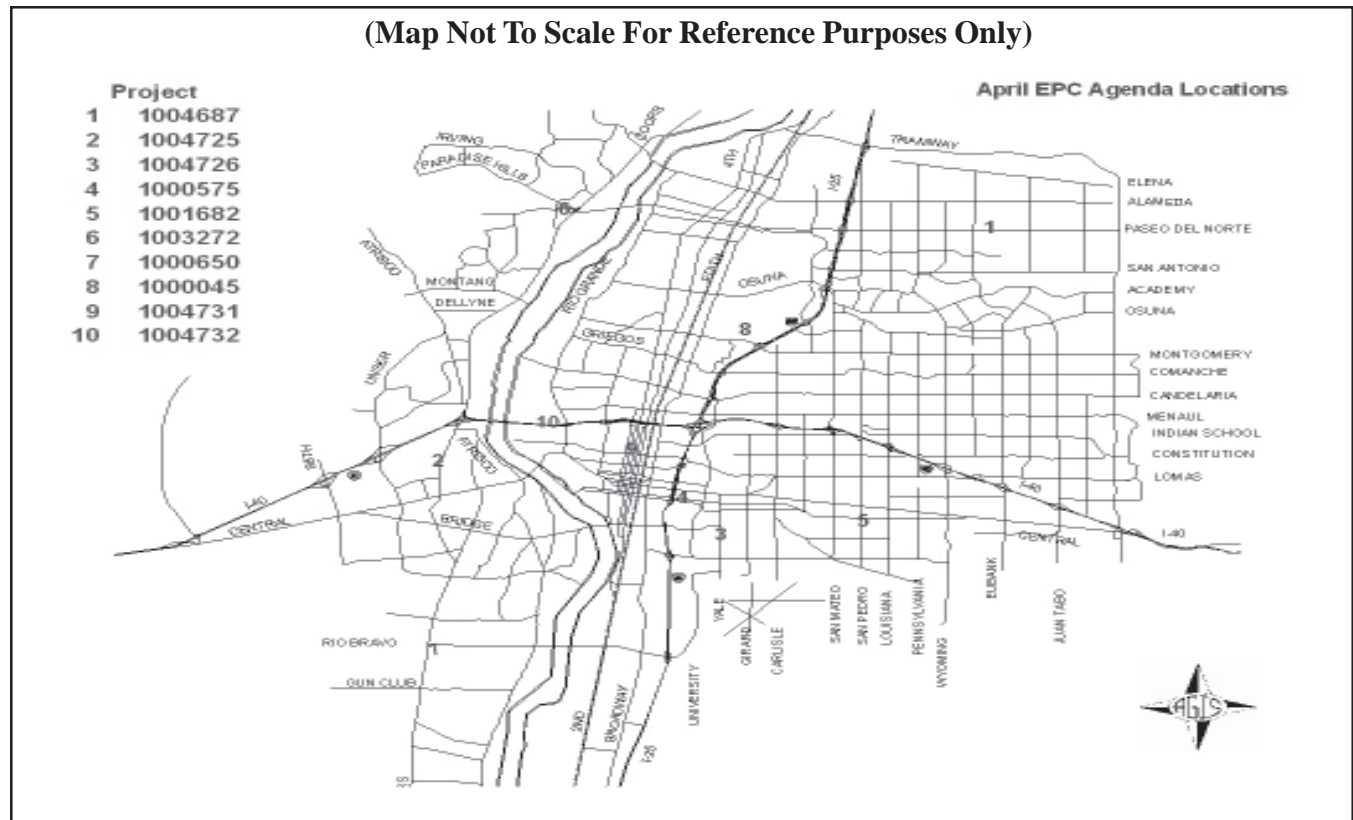
Victory Hills, Kirtland Community, Clayton Heights/Lomas Del Cielo; 06ECP-00278, Project #1004726; Approximately two (2) acre(s) located on the east side of Yale Boulevard SE between Avenida Cesar Chavez SE and Kathryn Avenue SE; L-15; CORE Ltd. at **771-8214**, agent for Yale Apartments, LLC; Requests approval of a Zone Map Amendment from C-2 to R-2 for a proposed two (2) story apartment infill project with thirty-six (36) two bedroom dwelling units; David Stallworth at **924-3940**.

Silver Hill, Spruce Park, Sycamore; 06EPC-00279, Project #1000575; Approximately two (2) acre(s) located on the north side of Lead Avenue SE between Cedar Street SE and Silver Avenue SE; K-15; Dekker/Perich/Sabatini at **761-9700**, agent for Presbyterian Healthcare Services; Requests approval of an EPC Site Development Plan Amendment for Building Permit for a proposed four (4) story, stand alone parking structure; Carmen Marrone at **924-3814**.

South San Pedro; 06EPC-00282, Project #1001682; Approximately one (1) acre(s) located on the west side of Arizona Street SE between Zuni Road SE and Bell Avenue SE; L-18; Consensus Planning at **764-9801**, agent for United Association of Plumbers and Steamfitters; Requests approval of a Zone Map Amendment from R-3 to O-1 for future expansion of the United Association of Plumbers and Steamfitters Union facilities; Maggie Gould at **924-3910**.

Southwest

No Association(s); 06EPC-00284, Project #1000650; Approximately two (2) acre(s) located on the east side of Coors Boulevard SW between Lamonica Road SW and Rio Bravo Boulevard SW; P-10; Tierra West, LLC at **858-3100**, agent for LL Partners, LLC; Requests approval of a Zone Map Amendment from SU-1 for C-1 Permissive Use to SU-1/C-2 for a proposed Wendy's/Gas Combo Store with package liquor sales for off-premise consumption; Stephanie Shumsky at **924-3933**.



CITY SCOOP

News From City Departments

Tricentennial Updates

Submitted by Linda Hubley

Tricentennial Fiestas de Albuquerque



The Tricentennial Fiestas de Albuquerque will be taking place at Tiguex Park, beginning at **10 a.m., Saturday, April 22** and at **12 noon on Sunday, April 23**.

Highlights of the two-day event include the following: free music and dance entertainment, a cake cutting ceremony, great food, an Artisan Market and plenty of children's activities.

Saturday, April 22 – 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 23 – 12 Noon to 6:00 p.m.

Tiguex Park 1800 Mountain Rd. NW

(Across from the Albuquerque Museum)

Free

For information please call **505-768-3556, 311**, or visit:

[<www.cabq.gov/crs/specialevents.html>](http://www.cabq.gov/crs/specialevents.html).

Tricentennial Founder's Day Parade

On **Saturday, April 22, 2006** the Tricentennial Founder's Day Parade will take place starting at **11 a.m.**, in conjunction with the Tricentennial Fiestas de Albuquerque. Spectators may view the Parade from Old Town Plaza or Tiguex Park.

The Founder's Day Parade will head South on Rio Grande from Bellamah to Romero. It will then travel around Old Town Plaza and exit from San Felipe Street to Mountain Road. It will head East past Tiguex Park and then North on 18th Street, disbanding on Bellamah.

For information on participating in the Founder's Day Parade please call:

505-768-3556, 311, or visit:

[<www.cabq.gov/crs/specialevents.html>](http://www.cabq.gov/crs/specialevents.html).

Tricentennial Artisan Market

The City of Albuquerque will be celebrating its 300th Birthday with the Tricentennial Fiestas de Albuquerque Celebration on April 22nd and 23rd, 2006, in Tiguex Park (1800 Mountain Rd. NW). This year, we will be hosting an Artisan Market at the Tricentennial Fiestas de Albuquerque, along with free musical and dance entertainment, the Founder's Day Parade, and a variety of other festive activities. For information on becoming an Artisan Market Vendor please call **505-768-3556, 311**, or visit: [<www.cabq.gov/crs/specialevents.html>](http://www.cabq.gov/crs/specialevents.html).



Cultural Services

Submitted by AJ Carian

A Tricentennial Cabaret of Albuquerque Theatre at the Kimo Theatre!

Presented by Mayor Martin J. Chávez and the Albuquerque Department of Cultural Affairs, **Friday, March 24, 2006** will be a star-studded night not to be missed. At **8 p.m.** that evening at the Historic KiMo Theatre downtown, the City of Albuquerque will present *A Tricentennial Cabaret at the Kimo* highlighting our city's prolific and outstanding theatre organizations with a gala evening of live performance, live music, food, and excitement for the whole family!

March 2006 has been designated **Theatre Month** as part of our Tricentennial celebrations, and Albuquerque boasts a surprisingly high number of theatre organizations and groups for a city of its size...from youth theatre companies, comedy troupes, and professional touring ensembles to community theatres that have thrived for many decades. We're also home to powerful theatre training programs at the University of New Mexico and within our public and independent schools. And representatives of all of these and more will be sharing the stage on March 24!

This is a free event for the public sponsored by Mayor Chávez and the City of Albuquerque. Any donations collected will go exclusively to support *The Friends of Theatre Scholarship Fund* for students beginning their professional theatre training at the UNM Department of Theatre and Dance.

Hosted by Albuquerque's own Tricklock Company in a modified *Reptilian Lounge* style, over a dozen of Albuquerque's great theatres will present thrilling songs, scenes, bits of performance, and bold moments from upcoming productions or performances already running in our city. Participants include The Vortex, Albuquerque Little Theatre, NM Young Actors, Musical Theatre Southwest, Teatro Nuevo Mexico, Sol Arts, Very Special Arts/North 4th Arts Center, Working Classroom, UNM Dept. of Theatre & Dance, El Dorado High School, FUSION Company and The Adobe Theatre. Since 1996, Tricklock Company's *Reptilian Lounge Late Night Cabaret* has existed to promote & support all manner of local performance in an effort to encourage positive community development through attendance and support for our city's artists. This *Tricentennial Cabaret at the Kimo* will be no exception.

Presented by our city in support of its talented artists, Mayor Chávez states "this event promises to welcome hundreds of eager attendees and seeks to gain new audience, exposure, and awareness within our community of the outstanding work being performed here. Work that raises our quality of life and our hometown's profile as a major nationwide destination city!"

Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority

Submitted by John Stomp and Patti Watson

**San Juan-Chama Drinking Water Project Construction
Focuses On Northeast and Northwest Albuquerque This Month**

In March 2006, most of the road construction impacts of the San Juan-Chama Drinking Water Project will be in Northeast and Northwest Albuquerque.

Osuna between San Mateo and San Pedro

Work is continuing on the Eastside pipeline on the south side of Osuna Road NE between San Mateo Boulevard NE and San Pedro Drive NE. During the day, between 6:30 a.m. - 6 p.m., only one lane of traffic will be allowed in one direction at a time. Flaggers will be on hand to direct traffic through the construction zone, which had reached Seagull Lane NE and was heading east at the beginning of this month. Evenings, one lane of traffic will be open in each direction. Motorists should expect occasional delays, and can use Academy Boulevard NE or McLeod Road NE as alternate routes. This pipeline project is expected to continue through May 2006.

San Pedro between Candelaria and Comanche

Work is also continuing on the Leyendecker pipeline between Arvilla Avenue NE (one block north of Candelaria Road NE) and Comanche Road NE. Southbound traffic only is permitted in this construction zone – northbound motorists are asked to use Louisiana Boulevard NE or San Mateo Boulevard NE as alternate routes. This phase of the construction project is expected to last through April. It will be followed by additional phases as the construction crew proceeds north on San Pedro Drive NE.

Montano and Renaissance

Crews are also continuing work on the portion of the East Valley pipeline that heads east on Montano Road NE, then north on Renaissance Boulevard NE toward Mission Avenue NE. Beginning in early March, crews are expected to lay pipeline in the median of Montano Road NE. No traffic impacts are expected during this work. However, in early April crews will lay pipeline across the two southbound lanes of Renaissance NE at Montano Road NE. These two lanes will be closed for approximately 2-3 days, with additional restrictions on Renaissance NE to follow in April and continue through mid-to-late May.

Matthew Avenue and 12th Street

The closure of Matthew Avenue NW between 12th Street NW and Rio Grande Boulevard NW has been extended through early to mid March. Motorists can use Indian School Road NW as an alternate route. After Matthew Avenue NW opens back up, crews will restrict the westernmost lane of traffic on 12th Street NW, with one lane of traffic open in each direction in the east half of 12th Street NW. This work is expected to last through early April.

Some Projects Wrapping Up

Crews are expected to wrap up their work this month on Ladera Drive NW between Atrisco Drive NW and Redlands Road NW and on Sequoia Road NW between Coors Boulevard NW and Alamogordo Drive NW. Both construction zones are part of the Westside Pipeline.

Ongoing Construction That Doesn't Affect Roads

Crews are continuing work in the Rio Grande River south of the Alameda Bridge and expect to have the Diversion Dam completed in April. Also ongoing is work on Raw Water Pipeline #1, along the Albuquerque Drain, just east of the river. Crews are continuing to work just west of the river near Sequoia Court NW and east of the river in the Bosque near Campbell Road NW as part of the River Crossing project.

For More Information or to Schedule a Presentation

If you would like to schedule a presentation on the San Juan-Chama Drinking Water Project for your neighborhood or homeowners association, please call Patti Watson or Shannon Jackson at **293-2000**. For more information about the project, visit our website at <www.sjcdinkingwater.org>. If you would like to be added to our drinking water project information list, call **242-ROAD (242-7623)** or e-mail <pattiw@cooneywatson.com>.



Water Utility Department

Wastewater Utility Division

Submitted by Brynda Gutierrez

Best Management Practices For Disposing of Used Needles From Private Residents

A 44 year old wastewater treatment operator working at his station is stuck with a needle flushed into the toilet. A year later, his doctor tells him that he has caught Hepatitis C, probably from being stuck by the needle. Doctors have not been able to help him, and he is now in chronic liver failure. It's not just wastewater treatment operators who are at risk of needle sticks-it's also trash collectors, neighbors, children, janitors, house-keepers, and pets. That's why used needles **should not be thrown in the garbage, or in the sewer.**

The State of New Mexico **Public Health Offices (PHO)** offers collection sites that accept used needles for **free** for **private residences only**. (Please keep in mind the term sharps refer to needles). Visit nmenv.state.nm.us/swb/needledisposal.htm for a complete list.

Albuquerque Sites Include:

Stanford Public Health Office, 1111 Stanford NE, **841-4100**.

Northwest Valley Public Health Office, 7704 2nd St. NW, **897-5700**.

Southwest Valley Public Health Office, 2001 North Centro Familiar SW, **873-7478**.

New Mexico AIDS Services, 625 Truman Street NE, **938-7100**.

Mail-Back Service: You can buy this service, which comes with a needle container, and mail back packaging. The price usually depends on the size of the container you pick. You fill the needle container with your used needles and mail it back in the package that is provided by the company. The list of companies below may not be complete.

BD™ Home Sharps by Mail available at Rite Aid drugstores nation wide. For information call **1-888-BDCARES (1-888-232-2737)** or visit:

www.safeneedledisposal.org/ds/BD_sdbm.html.

Sharps Compliance, Inc., 9350 Kirby Drive, Suite 300
Houston, Texas 77054, phone - **713-432-0300**, fax - **713-432-055** or visit <http://www.sharpsinc.com/>.

Stericycle Bio Systems Sharps Management, **505-228-4799**
or visit <http://www.stericycle.com/bio.html>.

Other Disposal Options: Place the sharps in a used bottle of bleach or detergent bottle with some bleach. Label the bottle

"Sharps". You may also use a Home Needle Destruction Device to destroy needles at home. Destruction devices burn, melt or cut off the needle - making it safe to dispose of needles in solid waste. Visit the New Mexico Environment Department's web page for more information at:

nmenv.state.nm.us/swb/needledisposal.htm

Ask your healthcare provider or local pharmacist if they can dispose of your used needles. To learn more about EPA's rules visit their website at:

www.epa.gov/epaoswer/other/medical

The information in this article is based on the EPA pamphlet **Recommended Needle Disposal Options for Self Injectors**. Please keep in mind the p2 Program does not recommend, endorse, or promote any particular company, method, or technique. Visit the Pollution Prevention Program's website at www.cabq.gov/p2

Environmental Health

Animal Services Division

Submitted by Nadine J. Martinez

Have you been looking for a rewarding volunteer opportunity? Albuquerque Animal Care Center (AACC) announces their Foster-A-Pet Program. The foster program allows responsible volunteers the opportunity to care for animals that may need special attention until a good home is found. Foster care is designed for the care of young puppies, kittens and other young animals, not yet ready to be adopted. Some other animals that may need foster care would be those who have undergone specific surgeries and need to heal before they are adopted and others that just need special attention. These pets need to be introduced to good homes until a permanent home is found for them. Open your heart and your home to a pet! Contact AACC at **764-1125** for more information on Foster-A-Pet.

Have some free time on your hands? Come help us! We are currently looking for enthusiastic volunteers at both our locations:

Westside - 11800 Sunset Gardens SW

Eastside - 8920 Lomas NE

We have many volunteer roles that need to be filled, from dog walking to lobby greeters. We will put your skills and interests to work so that you feel comfortable in your volunteer role.

Before you begin volunteering, you must attend an orientation session presented by the Animal Care Center. The next orientation is **Saturday, April 8 from 10 a.m. to noon**. Contact **Anna Sanchez at 764-1137** for registration information.

Looking for a special friend? Adopt a pet! Visit one of the AACC's shelters or one of the many adoption events AACC has scheduled throughout the spring/summer time. This is a great opportunity to visit with the many animals that need good homes. If you're not able to make one of our events log on to our website and choose a special animal. We also offer online services to adopt or to reclaim a lost animal. Visit www.cabq.gov/pets for more information on adoption and other services we provide.

Cultural Services

Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Library System

Submitted by Riann K. Powell

Gear up for Summer Reading

With summer vacation just around the corner, the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Library System is gearing up for the **2006 Summer Reading Club**. The Summer Reading Club runs from **May 19 to July 21**. Registration for this free program begins on May 19 and continues through mid-July. Children, teens and adults of all ages are invited to drop by their local library during its hours of operation to register. The Summer Reading Club will kick-off with an exciting event on May 20 featuring entertainment and activities.

During the 9-week program, children, teens and adults are encouraged to register, read and attend any of the programs that the libraries offer. As an incentive to read for fun during the summer, children and teens collect a prize for every hour they read. For every 10 hours of reading all participants can also enter their name into a raffle for additional prizes. Throughout the summer, participating libraries will feature free entertainment by magicians, musicians and storytellers.

The theme of this year's Summer Reading Club is "Read Albuquerque" in honor of Albuquerque's Tricentennial celebration. Participants are encouraged to learn and read about the history of Albuquerque. The Summer Reading logs feature artwork by noted children's author and illustrator Betsy James.

For additional information about the Summer Reading Club, including the entertainment lineup and kick-off party details, visit the library website at <www.cabq.gov/library> or call **768-5136**.



Mayor's Office of Volunteerism & Engagement

Submitted by Debra Saine

MOVE

(Mayor's Office of Volunteerism and Engagement)

Have you ever thought about joining a board? Do you have an interest in any of the following social issues: animal advocacy, arts, children's welfare, environment, family services, grief counseling, literacy, homelessness, hunger/nutrition, empowerment of women, or youth development? If so, we have just the board for you!

The Mayor's Office of Volunteerism & Engagement (MOVE) has compiled a list of nonprofit agencies that are in search of board members. Additionally, the City of Albuquerque government needs volunteers to serve on approximately 60 boards and commissions. The city's boards and commissions play an advisory role, and in some cases, they are responsible for setting policy. Appointments are made exclusively by the Mayor and are confirmed through the City Council. A standard background check is processed to ensure the appointee is someone that can be held in high regard by the community. Examples of city boards include the Airport Advisory Board, Environmental Planning Commission, Golf Advisory Board, Labor/Management Relations Board, Open Space Advisory Board, Personnel Board, Senior Affairs Advisory Board, Transportation Advisory Board, and Youth Advisory Board.

The following are components of board membership:

- Community involvement—an excellent opportunity to give back to one's community;
- Personal development—fulfill one's passion, develop leadership and organizational skills;
- Networking—meet new people and have fun;
- Flexible time commitment—boards usually meet on a monthly, bi-monthly, or quarterly basis;
- Input—help determine the direction of one's favorite agency or issue area.

Prior to joining a board, it is of utmost importance to understand all that is involved. The prospective board member should review the board's by-laws and become familiar with the following issues: the agency's mission, legal responsibility, fiduciary responsibility, financial commitment, and terms of service. The individual might consider attending board membership training prior to making a decision. Agencies such as the City of Albuquerque Planning Department, the Center for NonProfit Excellence, and the Junior League of Albuquerque offer such training.

On **Saturday, March 18, 2006**, the Center for NonProfit Excellence will offer a three-hour board member training session. The session will be held at the United Way Office, 2340 Alamo S.E., 2nd floor, **9:00 a.m. to noon**. Cost is \$15. To register, go to <www.centerfornonprofitexcellence.org> or contact Anne Nokes at **247-3671**.

To learn more about available board opportunities with nonprofit agencies, go to the MOVE website at <www.cabq.gov/move>. Conduct an Advanced Search, and enter the words "board member" in the Key Word field **OR** contact Debra Saine, <dsaine@cabq.gov>, **767-5815**. If you are interested in City of Albuquerque boards and commissions, contact Tony Pedroncelli, <tpedroncelli@cabq.gov>, **768-3000**.

It is our hope that you will give serious consideration to playing an active role in the direction of Albuquerque's future. Board membership is one way to do this, while experiencing the satisfaction of making life better for others in our community.

Solid Waste

Recycle That Wreck!

The Mayor's Anti-Litter Task Force has joined forces with Albuquerque Car Crushers and Rich Ford in an effort to rid our City of inoperable and abandoned vehicles. Mayor Martin J. Chávez has proclaimed March 2006 **"Recycle Your Vehicle Month"**.

Albuquerque residents who have inoperable or abandoned vehicles on their property can have their vehicle towed and crushed – **Free of Charge!** There is absolutely no cost to the owner or the City of Albuquerque. Those residents who take advantage of this service will be entered into a drawing where they can win a previously owned, certified vehicle, donated by Rich Ford. Section 14-16-2-6R-1 (h) of City Comprehensive Zoning Code clearly states, "motor vehicles which are not parked inside a building are operative and are not wholly or partially dismantled".

Here's how you can participate: •After March 1 – call the Citizen Contact Center by dialing **311** •Tell them you have a vehicle you would like towed and crushed for **"Recycle Your Vehicle Month"** •Albuquerque Car Crushers will ask you to sign a disposal affidavit if you do not have proof of ownership on the vehicle you would like towed •Albuquerque Car Crushers will give you a convenient day and time to tow your vehicle away. Albuquerque Car Crushers will properly dispose of all hazardous materials inside the vehicle such as the battery, gasoline, oil, Freon, etc. •Once your vehicle(s) is towed, you will be eligible for a chance to win a previously owned, certified, 2000 Ford Contour, donated by Rich Ford. The winner of the Ford Contour will be drawn at the Mayor's Annual Spring Cleanup on Saturday, **April 29, 2006**.

Recycle the Wreck and Grab a Chance to Win This Car!



Talkin' Trash

Submitted by Tina Trekker



Join Mayor
Martin J.

Chávez for the

2006 Mayor's Spring Cleanup
(Great American Cleanup)

Call 761-8334 now to sign up your
neighborhood, group or organization to
clean-up Albuquerque on

Saturday, April 29th

9am to Noon

CLOTHES COLLECTION

Clean out your closets - help those in need!

**Bring your clean, reusable clothing to
the**

**Solid Waste Mgmt Department 4600
Edith NE (Edith at Griegos)**

March 10- May 10, 2006

All donations will be given to Albuquerque Rescue Mission.



A Program of the Solid Waste Management Department

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Call 761-8334 for more information

Spring Green Waste Collection

On your regular trash collection
day during the weeks of

May 8th - 12th

and

May 15th - 19th



the City Solid Waste Department
will offer **free**

GREEN WASTE PICKUP.

City of Albuquerque Residents must
place their green waste (leaves, grass
and brush) in trash bags not weighing
more than 40 lbs. each on the curb by
7am on their

trash pick up day.

Items must be placed 5 ft. away from
the automated trash container.

Branches should be cut to four- ft.
lengths and bundled securely. The
city will not pick up dirt, construction
debris, gravel or any other landscape
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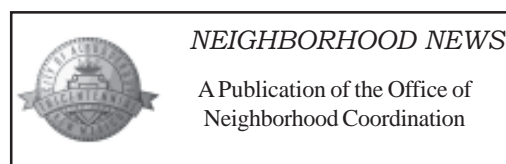
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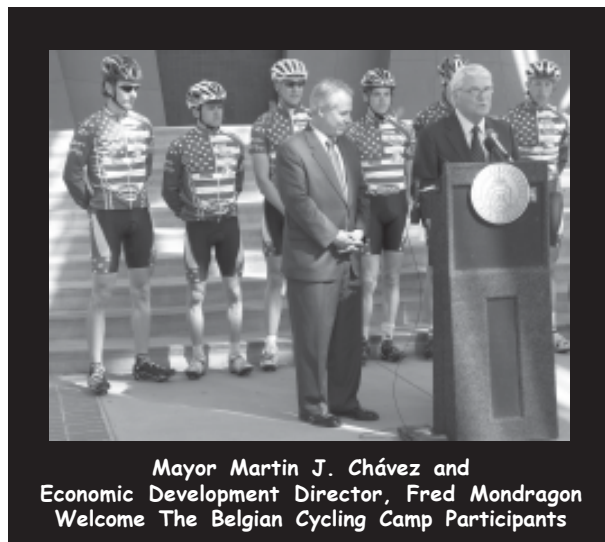
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**Mayor Martin J. Chávez and
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Welcome The Belgian Cycling Camp Participants**

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